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A Merry Christmas.

December 1898.

Good Will to All

HIGH CARNIVAL at

## THE BROOKS TYLER DRY GOODS STORE

All This Month

Our Christmas sale is now on and until Saturday night Dec. 24, our efforts will be toward supplying the great demands for Christmas goods

We have never attempted anything on so large a scale. Our mammoth store is teeming with beautiful things for presents. We have anticipated the wants of young and old. Useful gifts of all sorts. Games and dolls: everyone will be welcome and the children have a special invitation.

### HANDKERCHIEFS.

A great many of these dainty presents are given away every year and they are always acceptable. We have the largest assortment at this season. Good school handkerchiefs for 5 cents each. All grades in ladies from 5 cents to \$4.00. Gent's handkerchiefs in great variety.

### SHOES.

In our shoe department we carry only the kind that fit and wear and sell them at popular prices. A stylish, perfect fitting shoe is a joy to every lady and will make a very desirable present. We sell a regular \$3.50 shoe for \$2.75.

### GAMES.

Here are a few of the many games represented in our stock: parlor croquet, parchesi, checkers, basket ball, prisoner of zenda, toe the mark, blow foot ball, fascination, fish pond, donkey party, yukon river game, game of go-bang, picture puzzles of every description.

### GLOVES.

In selecting your gloves for Christmas presents, be sure you get the best. The guaranteed kind, we have them in all prices, from \$1.00 up. If you make a mistake in the size wanted we will cheerfully exchange after Christmas. All sizes, all colors, at right prices.

### UMBRELLAS.

Ladies or mens umbrellas. We have just received a most complete line of silk and silk union umbrellas for Christmas presents. The latest novelties in handles. The lowest prices ever offered.

### TABLE COVERS.

Ask to see our silk and velvet covers 6-4.

We are making special efforts in our

DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT  
Cloak Department.  
Linen Department.  
Blanket Department.

In fact all over our store we have many inviting bargains for you

## The Brooks Tyler Dry Goods Co.

### LOCAL GATHERINGS.

The local dealers in three percent beer are again selling the article, as it was found to be within the limit of the law.

The Salvation Army held a special musical service last evening, when Capt. Nellie Donly entertained the audience with singing and mandolin playing.

The kinetoscope exhibition at the Armory hall last Friday evening was a flat failure and many who attended left the hall before the close of the exhibition.

The U. O. G. C. held a very pleasant social evening in Pythian hall last Friday evening, which consisted of a short musical programme followed by dancing until 12 o'clock.

Chamberlin Relief Corps will give an oyster supper and promenade at G. A. R. hall Thursday evening Dec. 8th. Supper at nine o'clock. Admission 25 cts. Everybody invited.

M. J. Hovey has brought suit against Ephraim Hallett and Mr. Moulton for interfering with his using the water from the Hallett spring for an ice pond. By mutual consent the case will be tried at the present term of court.

The second basket ball game in the series between the Y. M. C. A. and Academy teams will be held next week, probably on Friday evening. The last game was a very interesting contest and the next promises to be even more so as there is a strong rivalry between the two teams.

The village trustees have posted signs that prohibit coasting, and the small boy will now have to confine himself to the fields, instead of using the sidewalks as he has done since snow came. The men who are driving the fast horses on our streets also receive a warning that it is time for them to desist or they are liable to pay a heavy fine.

The first meeting of the Y. M. C. A. singing class was held last Wednesday evening and about 20 were present. There will be another meeting this evening and if ten more members can be secured the class will be organized. It will be under the direction of a competent teacher and it will pay any one who wishes to study music this winter to join.

A novel and interesting feature of the December Vermonters is the reproduction of 75 portraits of Vermont little folks. St. Johnsbury is well represented in the list by Katharine Louisa Potts, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Potts, and a group picture of the three daughters of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Tyler, Louise Brooks, Margaret Hastings and Ruth Chester Tyler.

### NEW ADS. THIS WEEK.

Atwood's Cafe.  
Rooms to Rent.  
Meat Saw Lost.  
Dr. Carrick here.  
Toolmaker Wanted.  
McClure's Magazine.  
Springfield Republican.  
Fur Coats—S. A. Moore.  
Opening—B. L. Hunt & Co.  
All I Saved—W. W. Sprague.  
Xmas Goods—Harry Carter.  
High Carnival—Brooks Tyler.  
Annual Meeting—Danville Bank.  
An Honest Tale—Field & Rowell.  
How can we sell—B. D. Steele & Co.  
Talking Machine—W. S. Browne.  
Annual Meeting—First National Bank.  
Bank Statement—First National Bank.  
California Excursions—C. & N. W. R'y.  
A Good Remedy—Standard Drug Store.  
Christmas Goods—Mrs. Helen Carpenter.  
Probate of Will—Charles Wilson's Estate.  
Commissioner's Notice—Alfred Deer's Estate

### FRATERNITY MEETINGS.

Palatine Commandery, No. 8, K. T.  
The next Stated Conclave of Palatine Commandery occurs Tuesday evening, December 27.  
DELOS M. BACON, Recorder.  
PERLEY F. HAZEN, Commander.  
Caledonia Council, No. 13, R. & S. M.  
Caledonia Council, No. 13, Royal and Select Masters, holds a special assembly Wednesday evening, Dec. 14. Members are invited to be present.  
DELOS M. BACON, Recorder.  
HENRY E. KORFKA, T. T. M.  
Knights of Pythias.  
Regular convention of Ad-El Lodge No. 2 Tuesday night, December 6.  
CHAS. F. VARNY, C. C.  
ROSE COBURN, K. R. S.

### MORRIS CHAIRS.

We show 12 or 15 patterns, oak and mahogany. We make all our best cushions and give our customers the privilege of selecting coverings.

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RAMBLER BICYCLE, the 20 year old wheel. Makes a nice Xmas present.

The Academy pupils of Mrs. Anna Spencer Frost give the first of a series of morning recitals in the Academy chapel Saturday morning of this week. They will be assisted by Ernest Clark and Miss Ethel Abbott.

A skating rink has been opened on the river just above the dam at Carrick Brothers. On Saturday afternoon over 100 young people enjoyed the sport and it is proposed to keep the rink open through the winter.

The young people of this place departed from the usual plan of social dances last Wednesday evening and each one came in the oldest clothes that could be procured. The costumes were exceedingly funny and the amusement caused will probably lead to other such gatherings during the winter.

### Our Savings Institutions.

The recent report of the state inspector of finance shows our local savings banks to be in good condition. The reports were made to Inspector Mann June 30, 1898.

The Passumpsic Savings Bank has deposits amounting to \$1,740,953.95 and surplus funds of \$3,661.78. The number of depositors is 6454, of whom 440 are non-resident. Ninety-eight parties have deposits exceeding \$1500. By far the heaviest item of expense is the state tax which amounted last year to \$11,904.64.

The Citizens Bank reported total deposits of \$1,242,240.84 and a surplus of \$39,109.94. They have 4084 depositors of whom 213 are non-resident. Fifty-one depositors have over \$1500 on deposit. Their state tax was one-half the entire expense of the year and amounted to \$7,160.18.

From the tables in another part of the book it appears that the Passumpsic Savings Bank ranks fifth in the number of depositors and total deposits. The Citizens Bank ranks seventh in the same table, which is a remarkable showing for a bank which has only been in existence eleven years.

### County Court.

The December term of county court opened yesterday morning with Judge Henry R. Starr of St. Albans presiding, assisted by Salma Davis of Sheffield and Stephen D. Morse of Danville. Prayer was offered by Rev. Thomas Tyrie, which was followed by the calling of the docket, which disposed of many of the cases, either by settlement or continuance. The case of E. N. Randall vs. Thomas Morris will be tried. J. G. Bussing vs. George C. Cary has been continued for two weeks as Mr. Bussing has been sick with small pox and will not be able to be here until that time. It is unable to be here then the case will probably be continued for one year.

The first case set for trial is Mary E. Ayer vs. C. R. Gibson and was begun this morning. Bates, May & Simmonds appear for plaintiff and Dunnett & Slack for defendant.

### The Shoe Factory Sold.

Mathew J. Caldwell has bought the shoe factory building for \$1500 and will move it from its present site, which is on leased land, to a lot which he has bought of the St. Johnsbury Granite Co. He has bought of the latter corporation 110 feet fronting the railroad track just south of J. A. Dexter's building. Mr. Caldwell paid \$2000 for this lot. He has not announced what he will do with the building after it is moved, but its proximity to the railroad track will make it very desirable either for manufacturing or storage purposes.

### School Notes.

The first four grades of the village schools close this week Friday and the upper grades a week later. All the schools in town begin their winter term on Jan. 2, 1899.

The school directors have engaged Mrs. Emily J. Arthur of Concord, N. H., as teacher of drawing and she will begin her work at the opening of the winter term. Mrs. Arthur is a talented artist as well as a teacher of many years' experience, having taught in various places in New England and in the South. She will also teach drawing at St. Johnsbury Academy.

### North Church Sale and Supper.

The calendars which have been made up by the women of the North church are now ready and will be put on sale at the church on Thursday evening of this week. After that time they may be found at the Brooks-Tyler Dry Goods Store. A supper will be served from half past six to eight o'clock at the price of 25 cents. The entertainment of the evening will be furnished by Mr. Farwell, who will tell many interesting things about Alpine Passes. Mr. Farwell is fresh from these scenes and can make them very real to his hearers.

### Christmas Sale.

Miss Rebecca Bullard will hold her annual sale of hand painted china next week Friday and Saturday at her home at 99 Main street. Miss Bullard has recently returned from New York, where she studied all the latest designs in artistic china decoration and her patrons are sure to secure the latest and most up-to-date china that can be procured.

### The Folsom Case.

The creditors of the insolvent estate of H. E. Folsom had a special meeting at the probate office Friday before Judge W. P. Smith to consider a proposed compromise of the matters appertaining to the Folsom estate, the Merchants National Bank and the Lyndonville National Bank.

The controverted matters with the Merchants National Bank related to the sale of certain cattle shares in New Mexico, which the bank had purchased at a sheriff's sale in New Mexico. The assignee claims that the shares did belong to the estate upon reimbursing the bank for money it had paid at the sheriff's sale. The bank claimed that it purchased the shares for its own benefit and owned them absolutely. Since the purchase share dividends have been declared, amounting to over \$20,000 and the shares have increased in market value largely since purchase, on account of the higher price for which cattle are selling. By the terms of the compromise the bank is to pass over to the assignee its title to the shares and one-half the dividend, after being reimbursed for its disbursements on the original purchase.

This compromise was unanimously approved by the creditors and was confirmed by the court. By it the bank gets back its money and about \$7000 more, while the estate gets the shares and about \$7000 in money.

The controversy with the Lyndonville National bank was in relation to a judgment for \$6000 which the assignee had procured at the last session of the supreme court of Vermont, and which the bank proposed to further contest in the supreme court of the United States. By the terms of the proposed compromise the assignee deducts \$1500 from the amount of the judgment, the bank paying the balance and waiving any right of appeal or to prove any claim against the estate, or to make any claim against the shares of stock above referred to. This compromise was approved by the creditors and confirmed by the court. The result is expected to be a speedy settlement of the Folsom estate and a payment of very large dividends. Hon. H. C. Ide appeared for the assignee, Harry Blodgett for the Merchants Bank, Ex-Gov. Hendee for Lyndonville Bank, and creditors appeared personally.

### Friday's Concert.

The concert in Music Hall on Friday evening by the Salem Cadet Band promises to be the musical treat of the season. An extra train will be run from Lyndonville, returning after the concert, and there has been a good sale of single seats at Bingham's drug store the past week. The leader, Mr. Missad, has prepared a choice programme and Master Henry Donlan, the sweet-voiced boy soprano, will receive a hearty welcome here again this year. Following is the programme for the concert:

- (a) March, "The Dumb Eagle," Wagner
- (b) Overture, "Poet and Pansy," Suppe
- Salem Cadet Band, "L'Eleganza," Damare
- Solo for Cornet, "L'Eleganza," Damare
- Selection, "Nautical Songs," Tobani
- "Se Saran Rose," Arditi
- Master Henry Donlan, "Narcissus," Nevin
- Famous Minuet, "Narcissus," Nevin
- Salem Cadet Band, "Narcissus," Nevin
- Solo for Trombone, Air Varié, Rollinson
- Mr. J. N. Proctor, "The Blue and the Gray," Dalby
- Salem Cadet Band, "The Swallows," Gowen
- Selection, "The Idol's Eye," Herbert
- (a) Tower Scene from "Il Trovatore," Verdi
- (b) "The Anvil Chorus," Verdi
- (c) March, "Richmond," Missad

### W. C. T. U. Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held in the Y. M. C. A. parlor, Tuesday, November 22. The president, Mrs. S. H. Brackett, being absent the chair was occupied by Mrs. F. A. Drew. One new member was admitted and the meeting voted to pay \$8 towards the expenses of the delegate to the state convention at Manchester Center. A letter was read from the state president, Mrs. I. A. H. Reed, asking Caledonia county to make the father of Miss Willard a life member of the national W. C. T. U., and the Union voted to do what they were able in this direction. It was decided to have a temperance lecture in the near future and a committee was appointed to see if Col. George Bain could be secured. The matter of an entertainment was discussed and it was decided to have one shortly and a committee was appointed to make arrangements for it.

### Change of Location.

The promoters of the sixth annual exhibition of the Vermont Poultry and Pet Stock Association have decided to hold the exhibit in the Armory instead of in the Town Hall, as court will be in session at the time of the exhibit, and the noises incident to such an exhibition would greatly disturb the proceedings of the court. The entries are coming in rapidly, the Billings Farm having the largest list ever given in the history of the association.

### Death of Neldhard Houghton.

The many friends of Dr. and Mrs. N. H. Houghton will be grieved to learn of the death of their youngest child, Neldhard Hazen Houghton, at Boston, last Monday morning. The little child was about 8 months old and was sick only a short time. Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Hazen received a telegram from their son-in-law and left for Boston Monday to attend the funeral Tuesday afternoon.

### Business Notes.

S. D. Atwood has recently added to his business the cooking of meats and game for private families. This branch of his business is steadily growing as housekeepers find it a great convenience to have the work done for them.

B. L. Hunt and Co. advertise elsewhere an opening of holiday goods, Saturday, Dec. 10, at their store on Eastern Avenue. Having just returned from market they offer a choice line of Christmas novelties and fancy goods.

Mrs. Helen F. Carpenter having just returned from market offers her usual choice line of Christmas novelties, which include a long list of useful and decorative articles. Also special marked down bargains in last year's novelties.

H. C. Bond has returned from Danville, where he had charge of the Caledonia National Bank during Cashier Mattocks' service in Montpelier and will take up the insurance business. He has been appointed special agent of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of New York for this vicinity and is also agent for the Standard Accident Company.

O. V. Hooker & Son are rushed with orders at present in their machine shop and cannot get machinists enough to do their work.

The Brooks-Tyler Company opened their Christmas sale with the beginning of the month and when their store curtains were raised Thursday morning the two large show windows were gay in their holiday attire. The south window has been the delight of the children ever since with its big red toys and everything for little folks. The north window is just as pretty and each window gives but a faint idea of the many useful gifts in the store.

Don C. Stiles has changed the location of his store from the Citizens Bank block to the Avenue House and has increased his stock by the addition of many Christmas novelties. Miss Selina Wiggins of Woodville has been engaged to work in the store and Mr. Stiles expects a large increase of business as a result of the change.

### Among the Churches.

The Bible school of the Baptist church is arranging for a Christmas tree and festival on the evening of Dec. 24, and a fine musical and literary programme for Sunday evening, Dec. 25. A committee has been appointed to solicit Christmas presents, or donations to cancel all the indebtedness of the church up to the close of the year. It is hoped that the friends of the church both out and in the society will respond liberally to this privilege so that this church may start on the new year entirely out of debt. This will require at least \$120 above the ordinary weekly income. Donations may be sent to the church treasurer, Charles A. Chadbourne. Subject for next Sunday morning will be "Luz changed into Bethel," and in the evening, "Why and How we should prepare for Death, Judgement and Eternity?"

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Odd Fellows' block. Sunday service at 10.45. Subject, "Sacrament." Communion will be observed. Sunday school after morning service. Wednesday evening meeting at 7.30. A cordial welcome to all.

A clam chowder supper will be served in the vestry of the Universalist church next Tuesday evening at 6.15. There will be for sale aprons, fancy articles and fruit. Following this supper and sale the regular parish meeting for the election of officers will be held.

A union service of the North and South churches was held at the South church Sunday evening to listen to Rev. Dr. George W. Phillips of Rutland. Dr. Phillips gave a practical and helpful talk to young men, which was listened to by a large audience.

The Home Missionary Society of the South church meets Thursday afternoon with Mrs. C. H. Merrill. As there is pressing work a good attendance is hoped for.

The young people of the Free Baptist church enjoyed a social hour at the home of D. M. Badger last Friday evening. Supper was served to a good number.

"Rejoice, O Young Man in Thy Youth," will be the topic of the lecture by Rev. Mr. Tyrie next Sunday evening at Grace Methodist church.

Next week, Thursday evening, the ladies of Grace Methodist church will give a variety supper in the vestry, consisting of clam chowder, meats, salads, pastry, tea and coffee.

### Grange Officers Elected.

Green Mountain Grange, St. Johnsbury Center, elected these officers Saturday afternoon, Dec. 5:  
Master, B. A. Farnham.  
Overseer, L. W. Gray.  
Lecturer, G. C. Willey.  
Steward, Fred Houghton.  
Assistant steward, E. A. Gray.  
Chaplain, Joseph Ranney.  
Secretary, Mrs. G. C. Willey.  
Treasurer, B. P. Allen.  
Gate keeper, Holman Damon.  
Pomona, Mrs. E. P. Allen.  
Ceres, Mrs. L. W. Gray.  
Flora, Mrs. P. C. Houghton.  
Lady assistant steward, Mrs. E. A. Gray.  
Passumpsic Grange, at Passumpsic, elected the following officers last week Thursday:  
Master, S. J. Hastings.  
Overseer, F. M. Keith.  
Lecturer, Mrs. C. R. Keith.  
Steward, W. A. Dow.  
Assistant Steward, B. R. Smith.  
Chaplain, W. H. Bell.  
Treasurer, A. E. Corlies.  
Secretary, F. S. Shepherd.  
Gate keeper, S. B. Miles.  
Pomona, Mrs. J. P. Bailey.  
Flora, Mrs. W. A. Dow.  
Ceres, Mrs. F. H. Shepherd.  
Lady assistant steward, Mrs. B. R. Smith.

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